Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 19 Sep 2023 until 23:59 on Wednesday 20 Sep 2023

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 19 Sep 2023 at 02:04 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for the unsettled, and at times wet and windy period.

Headline for Tuesday 19 Sep 2023: Windy with rain and drizzle, heavy at times.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 19 Sep 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy rain showers (night)	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain showers	Light rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
40%	40%	40%	40%	60%	80%

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Weather: Mostly cloudy with showers or longer outbreaks of rain at first. The rain turning lighter and more patchy during the morning, but becoming more persistent and occasionally heavy again later in the afternoon. Heavy and persistent rain in the evening, perhaps the odd rumble of thunder. Windy, occasional summit gales.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% mid-morning to early afternoon, otherwise 10%

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud, base 300 to 600m, perhaps lifting and breaking for a time early in the day. Visibility moderate to very poor, becoming good for at time mid-morning to early afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	30/37 SW	29/36 SW	27/36 SW	27/35 SW	18/22 SE	34/43 S	35/48 SW
900	20/26 SW	20/26 SW	21/29 SW	20/28 SW	11/16 SE	20/27 S	23/36 SW
600	25/31 SW	23/30 SW	24/32 SW	24/32 SW	8/12 E	16/23 S	27/38 SW
300	12/17 S	14/20 SW	14/22 SW	13/21 SW	6/10 SE	9/17 E	15/27 SW
Glen	7/17 SW	12/22 SW	12/24 SW	11/22 SW	4/9 E	7/18 E	10/25 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	1/-6	2/-5	3/-4	3/-4	3/-2	6/1	8/3
900	4/-2	5/-0	6/1	5/0	5/2	7/3	10/6
600	6/1	7/2	8/3	8/3	8/6	10/7	12/8
300	8/5	9/6	10/7	10/7	10/8	12/10	13/11
Glen	9/8	11/9	12/10	12/10	11/10	12/11	14/13
Freezing Level*	1400m	1400m	1500m	1600m	2800m	2900m	2600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Overall a poor day, but small windows of better weather possible.

Forecast for Wednesday 20 Sep 2023
Weather: Showers or longer outbreaks of rain overnight and during the morning, perhaps the odd rumble of thunder. Some drier and brighter conditions developing in the afternoon, the best of these across the Arrochar Alps down to Goat Fell. However, still some showers, these continuing into the evening.

Maximum wind: Southwest 40 gusting 55mph, easing 25 gusting 35mph later in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% overnight and during the morning, becoming 60% through the afternoon and evening, best chance in the south of the area. Visibility moderate or poor in rain or showers, very poor at times over the summits. Often very good in the afternoon and evening lower down.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud, base 600 to 900m overnight and during the morning, lifting 900 to 1200m in the afternoon. Visibility mostly very good, but moderate to very poor in overnight rain and showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 to 15 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 10 Celsius, falling to 5 Celsius in the evening.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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